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Let me know if I can help w/coordination on this end.

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Hi Dennis,

Hope you are well and enjoying the new gig!

Wanted to touch base with you on the Pebble Mine debate which I'm sure you are tracking closely. We've been hearing from a lot of concerned constituents about this huge mining proposal, particularly fishing industry folks who are concerned that the mine could devastate Bristol Bay salmon stocks and thus their livelihoods.

From what we understand, some Alaskan stakeholders are asking EPA to invoke Section 404(c) of the Clean Water Act, which authorizes the Administrator to prohibit or restrict the use of specific areas as a "disposal site" whenever the Administrator determines "that the discharge of such materials into such area will have an unacceptable adverse effect on municipal water supplies, shellfish beds and fishery areas (including spawning and breeding areas), wildlife, or recreational areas."

Given that the Pebble Mine site's potential impact on the headwaters of some of the most productive sockeye salmon runs in the world, we would very much appreciate following up by phone with you or an appropriate staffer within the next few weeks so that we can better understand EPA's role and options in

regards to this particular issue.

Thanks,
Amit